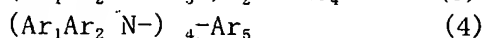
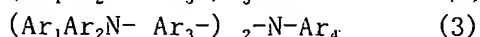
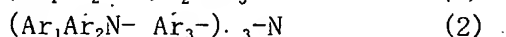
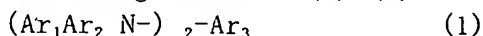


What is claimed is:

1. In an organic electroluminescent material comprising a tertiary aryl amine containing 2 to 4 nitrogen atoms each forming a triarylamine, a material for an organic electroluminescent elemental device which is obtained by purifying the crude tertiary aryl amine containing as impurity compound (A) possessing one less nitrogen atoms forming triarylamine and/or compound (B) possessing one more nitrogen atoms forming diarylamino groups than said tertiary aryl amine and contains 1 wt% or less of compound (A) or 2 wt% or less of compound (B).

2. A material for an organic electroluminescent elemental device as described in claim 1 wherein the tertiary aryl amine is selected from compounds represented by the following formulas (1)-(4):



wherein Ar_1 , Ar_2 and Ar_4 are independently monovalent aryl groups, Ar_3 is independently a divalent aryl group and Ar_5 is a tetravalent aryl group.

3. A material for an organic electroluminescent elemental device as described in claim 1 wherein the tertiary aryl amine is a compound represented by the following formula (5):



wherein A_1 and A_2 are independently diarylamino groups and G is a divalent aryl group.

4. A material for an organic electroluminescent elemental device as described in claim 1 wherein the tertiary aryl amine is N,N' -di(naphthalen-1-yl)- N,N' -diphenylbenzidine.

5. An organic electroluminescent elemental device wherein the material for an organic electroluminescent elemental device as described in any of claims 1-4 is incorporated in the hole transporting layer or luminescent layer of the device.

6. An organic electroluminescent elemental device as described in claim 5 wherein the operating time in which the initial luminance attenuates 10% exceeds 100 hours in the life test.

7. A process for preparing an organic electroluminescent material as described in any of claims 1-4 which comprises purifying by sublimation or distillation the tertiary aryl amine obtained by the reaction of a haloaryl compound containing one

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or more halogen atoms in the aromatic ring with an aryl amine in the presence of a catalyst until the tertiary aryl amine contains 1 wt% or less of compound (A) or 2 wt% or less of compound (B).

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